

St. Theresa's Newsletter

We learn together, we play together, we pray together, we grow together in the love of God

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SUMMER TERM 2025 Friday 16th May

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A reminder that on Monday 19th May at 3.30pm in the school hall, we will be holding our secondary transfer meeting for the current Year 5 parents (Y4 parents are also welcome to attend). Parents will be given important information regarding the application process to secondary schools for the current Year 5 children.

On Thursday, after school from 3.30pm to 4.55pm, the Friends are hosting the Infant Movie Night. Children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 are invited to stay after school and watch the film "Toy Story" in the school. Tickets are $\pounds 5$ (this includes crisps and snacks). Please see the school office if you would like to purchase a ticket for your child.

Have a lovely weekend.

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Applications for Nursery April and September 2025

Applications are invited for the Nursery for September 2025 (this is for children who are 3 years old by 31st August 2025). The application forms are available to download from the school website.

https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/admissions/ Please return your completed application forms to the school office.

Notice from St Michael's Catholic Grammar School Open Evening for Secondary Transfer Wednesday 25th June 2025

Parents and girls who are interested in taking the entrance tests for St Michael's Catholic Grammar School are invited to visit the school for a guided tour on Wednesday 25 June between 5pm and 7pm. Headteacher talks will be held at 5pm and 7pm in The Sports Hall.

We have changed our admissions criteria for entry from September 2026 onwards and will no longer require evidence of First Holy Communion. We have 128 places in each year and are historically heavily oversubscribed with girls who meet the criteria of Baptised Catholic girls from a Practising Catholic family. Priority for up to 32 places is given to girls who are registered as Pupil Premium with their primary school. Full details of the Admissions Policy can be found on the School's website and the online application to sit the entrance tests for entry in September 2026 is now available https://www.st-

michaels.barnet.sch.uk/home/admissions/admissions-2026-27/.

The deadline for applications to be completed and Certificate of Catholic Practice provided to the School is 4pm on Tuesday 8th July 2025.





On Thursday 8th May 2025, the College of Cardinals elected Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost as the 267th Pope who took the name Leo XIV. The last pope with this name was Pope Leo XIII, over one hundred years ago, whose work was the basis for Catholic Social Teaching. As we celebrate this Year of Jubilee when we are called to be Pilgrims of Hope, we give thanks that Pope Leo will continue to speak up for those who are poor or marginalised in our world.

NEWS from the FRIENDS

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're delighted to invite all Infant children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to our Toy Story movie night on **Thursday 22nd May 2025**, from 3.30pm to 4.55pm in the school hall. Tickets are £5 per child (includes crisps and snacks) and please ensure your child brings their own water bottle. Please return your payment and completed form by Tuesday 20th May and *state if your child has any allergies on the form.*

We are busy planning our school Summer Fair on **Saturday 5th July** and organising our prestigious school raffle and are on the lookout for brilliant prizes. If you, your workplace, or anyone you know would like to donate a prize, such as a hamper or voucher, please get in touch with The Friends team. Every donation makes a big difference! Also, Year 5 raised £132.30 in the early April cake sale which will go towards their Grosvenor Hall trip in October 2025. Thank you for your support! The Friends

 St. Theresa's pupil attendance target for 2024-2025 is 96%

 Period
 Whole school attendance

 From 3/9/24 - now
 94.85%

 Class with highest attendance to date - Y6 are still in the lead with

96.56% attendance and Y4 are in 2nd place! At the end of the year, in July 2025, the class with the highest record of attendance will win a non-school uniform day!

Please visit our website where you will find our weekly newsletter, diary dates, curriculum information and lots more! <u>https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/</u>

<u>The Wednesday Word</u> ""Love is the only language everyone understands." St Joseph Frienademetz

God is love and all love comes from God. Whenever we love and care for one another we can be sure that God is with us. Ask your child who they love. What does your child think it means to 'love one another'. Who makes your child feel especially loved: a) at home? b) at school? c) at church or in the community? Ask your child when they recently felt especially loved. When did your child last show love towards someone? How did they show their love?

Each of you decide on something you can do in the coming days to share your love - to love as Jesus loves. Perhaps you can: as a family, visit someone who may be sick or lonely; be extra helpful by putting others' needs first; show and tell family members how much you love them through unexpected acts of kindness; include someone in your games who may be feeling left out.

> https://wednesday-word.paperturnview.com/love?pid=MTA101634&p=2&v=174.6

School Attendance and Punctuality Policy

The school attendance and Punctuality Policy can be found on the school website here: <u>https://www.st-</u> theresas.barnet.sch.uk/school/policies/

The Barnet Educational Welfare Officer (EWO) visits the school every half term, and every half term the registers are monitored. All children are expected to attend school for 96% of the school year. Therefore if your child's attendance falls below this number, it is very likely you will receive a letter from the school informing you of this. You will receive the letter regardless of whether the absences were authorised or not – this is standard procedure and simply alerts parents to the fact that their child's attendance may fall below 90%; any child whose attendance falls below 90% is considered a "Persistent Absentee" and will trigger more formal monitoring directly from the EWO.





Reception	Kyro for showing kindness towards a Nursery child
	who was feeling sad.
	Shanaya for showing improved teamwork skills and
	communication.
Year 1	Emma for your hard work and dedication in
	Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar!
	Chloe for your outstanding politeness! Your beautiful
	manners are an example to all!
Year 2	Iliad for consistently remaining on task during Maths
	lessons.
	Eva for settling well into Year 2 and enthusiastically
	taking part in activities.
Year 3	Whole class for your hard work and positive attitude
	to learning in all subjects.
Year 4	Radek for always showing excellent behaviour for
	learning.
	Ece for working hard to improve her presentation.
Year 5	Evan for always participating and showing
	enthusiasm across all lessons.
	Armanis for doing work independently and putting
	effort into writing more. Keep it up.
Year 6	Whole Class Well done for all your hard work and
	effort during SATs – you gave it your best, and that's
	something to be really proud of!

The Golden Ticket Winners are: Anduena (Y2) Emily (Y5)

Dates for your diary

Mon 19 th May	3.30pm Secondary transfer meeting for current Y5 parents	
Thurs 22 nd May	3.30-4.55pm Infant Movie Night	
Fri 23 rd May	Y5 and Y6 attending 10am Mass at St. Philips Church	
Mon 26 th May - Fri 30 th May Half term holiday		
Mon 2 nd June	INSET day – school closed for children	
Tues 3 rd June	Children back to school	
Thurs 12 th June	3.30pm Transition from Reception to Year 1 meeting for Reception parents	
Wed 18 th June	2pm Meeting for new Reception Parents	
Thurs 26 th June	1.30-2.30pm Open afternoon for new Reception starters	
Fri 27 th June	2.30pm Mass for Holy Communicants	
Thurs 3 rd July	6pm Y6 Show	
Sat 5 th July	2pm-5pm Friends Summer Fair	
Thurs 17 th July	6pm Y6 Leavers' Mass	
Tues 22 nd July	9am Y6 Leavers' Assembly	
Tues 22 nd July	Last day of term 1pm finish	
*New dates in bold		





The Friends of St Theresa's Would Like To Invite

All Infant Children In Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 To:





Come Join Us To Watch "Toy Story"

On Thursday 22nd May 2025 from 3.30pm - 4.55pm in the Hall at St Theresa's

£5 includes crisps and snacks

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